

SUMMARY
of the Opinion on COM(2015)100 - Results of the public consultation on the Europe 2020
strategy for smart, sustainable and inclusive growth

The Europe 2020 strategy has been launched in 2010 as the EU's integrated long-term strategy for jobs and growth. The main targets to achieve on employment, research and development, climate and energy, education, and the fight against poverty and social exclusion became national targets for each Member State.

Following public consultation on Europe 2020, the Chamber of Deputies notes that economic crisis is still being felt differently at national level.

On the labor market, unemployment remains high, the danger of poverty and social exclusion increased; the research and the development expenses were limited. The next priority must be the research and development investments expenditures which foster economic growth.

Some of the areas affected by the economic crisis were those of employment, research and development and poverty reduction, while in education and reducing CO2 emissions intensity of the economy, positive structural trends were registered.

In the current economic and social context, as far as Romania is concerned, stimulating economic growth and creating jobs are top priorities of the EU for the next five years.

The Europe 2020 strategy remains the main catalyst of European efforts to achieve economic growth and create jobs.